

# 01 - Objects and Classes

## Part1

CS202: Introduction to Object Oriented Programming

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# Today's Topics:

- Introduction - Why OOP?
- Defining Classes for Objects
- Constructing Objects Using Constructors
- Accessing Objects via Reference Variables

# Introduction

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- CS201 was intro to programming
  - variables
  - selections
  - loops
  - methods
- CS202 will teach you Object Oriented Programming (OOP), which is foundational to your career as a Software Engineer

# Introduction

- Using what you know, how would we model a Student in the GET System?

```
public class StudentGETSample {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        // student 1  
        String name = "Buzz Lightyear";  
        int age = 20;  
        boolean isGraduateStudent = false;  
  
        System.out.println("Name: " + name + " Age: " + age +  
            " Graduate Student: " + isGraduateStudent);  
    }  
}
```

# Introduction

- This code was just for one student
- what about thousands of students?

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# Introduction

- OOP solves this kinds of problems and provides numerous benefits using **objects**
  - **Modularity**: source code maintained independently, easily passed around in the system
  - **Information-hiding**: details of internal implementation hidden from the outside world
  - **Code re-use**: use other software developer's code
  - **Pluggability and debugging ease**: remove a particular object and plug in your own

# Defining Classes for Objects

# OO Programming Concepts

- Object-oriented programming (OOP) involves programming using objects.
- An ***object*** represents an entity in the real world that can be distinctly identified.
  - a student, a desk, a circle, a button, and even a loan can all be viewed as objects
- An ***object*** has a unique identity, **state**, and **behaviors**.

# OOP Concepts

## ✓ state

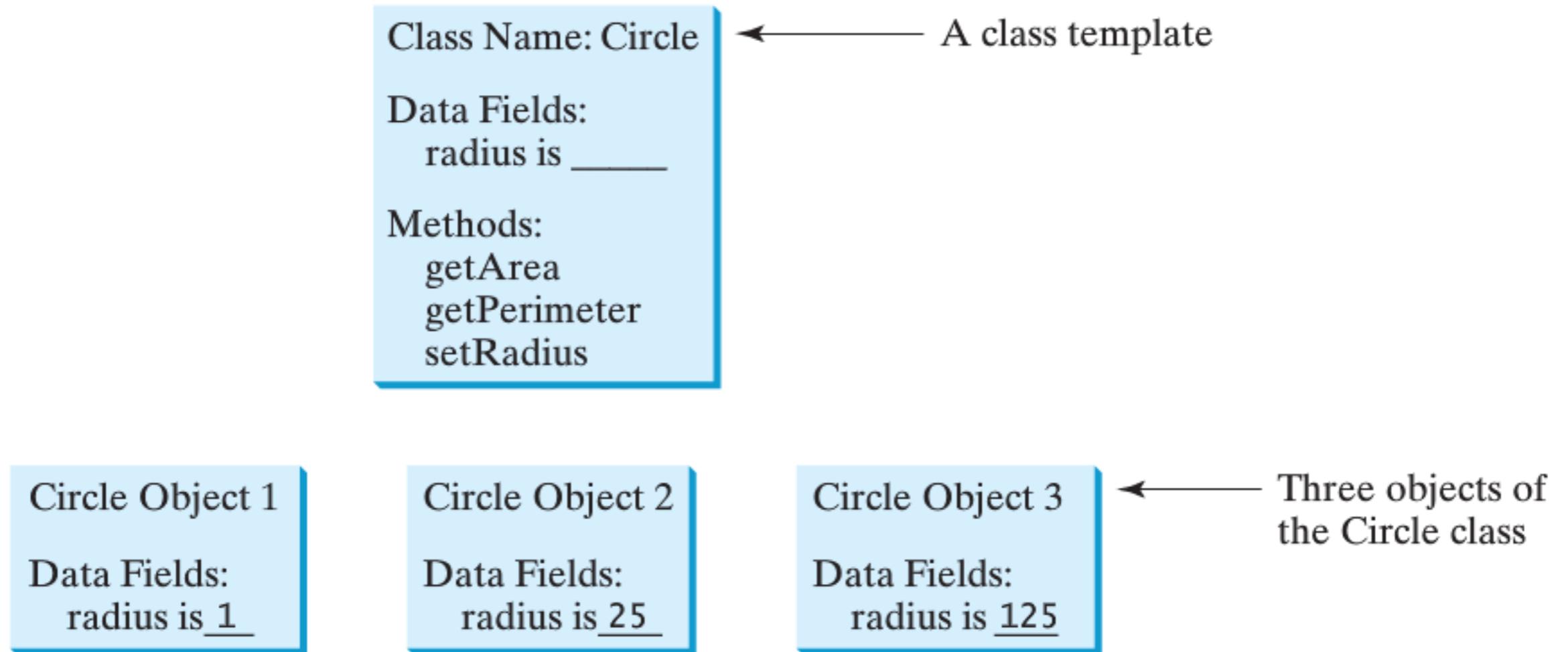
- referred to as **properties, attributes, data fields**
- these properties contain information about the object, or **instance**
- Example: A **Person** object has **name** and **age** properties

# OOP Concepts

## ✓ behavior

- referred to as **actions**
- defined by **methods** on the object
- methods are **invoked** on an object
- these methods perform an action on the object
- Example (*getters*): A **Circle** object has methods **getArea()**, **getPerimeter()**
- Example (*setters*): A **Circle** object has methods **setRadius(radius)**

# Objects



An object has both a **state** and **behavior**. The **state** defines the object, and the **behavior** defines what the object does.

# OOP Concepts - Netflix

Object	States	Behaviors
Movie	title, genre, year, length, rating	set the name, set the rating, play movie
Actor	name, age, movies appeared in	set the name, find movies actor appeared in
CreditCard	number, expiration date, name, zip code, security code	charge amount, refund amount, get card number

# OOP Concepts - GET System

**Object**

**States**

**Behaviors**

Student

name, age, CIN, status,  
major, standing

add class, retrieve  
current schedule

Instructor

name, age, payroll,  
courses taught,  
department

drop student, set grade

Course

course id, capacity,  
prerequisites, time and  
date, instructor

add student, set time,  
set permissions

# Classes

*Classes* are constructs that define objects of the same type.

a template, blueprint

an object is an **instance** of a class

object → class, apple pie → recipe

many apple pies from a recipe

many objects from a single class

# Classes

A Java class uses **variables** to define data fields and **methods** to define behaviors.

A class provides a special type of methods, known as **constructors**, which are invoked to construct objects/instances from the class.

# Unified Modeling Language (UML)

## **data field:**

```
dataFieldName : dataFieldType
```

## **method:**

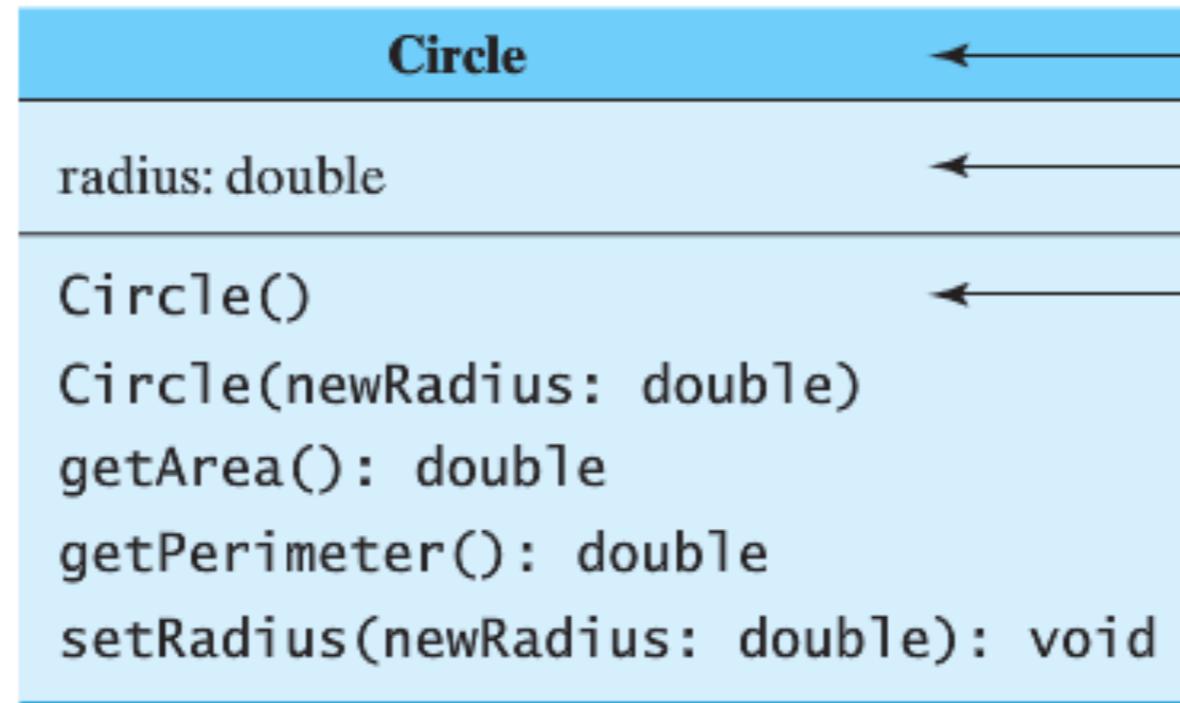
```
methodName(parameterName: parameterType) : returnType
```

## **constructor:**

```
ClassName(parameterName: parameterType)
```

# UML Class Diagram

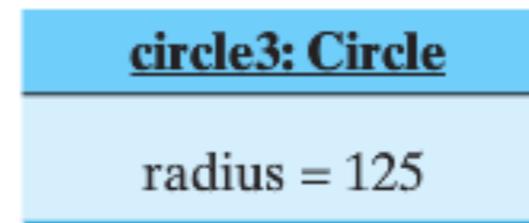
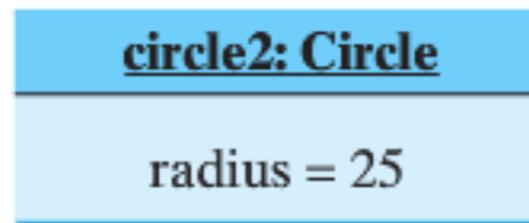
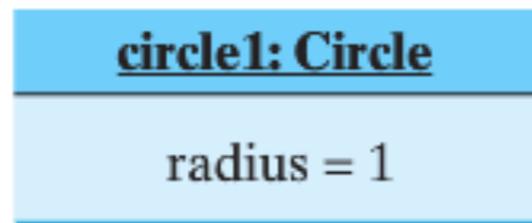
UML Class Diagram



← Class name

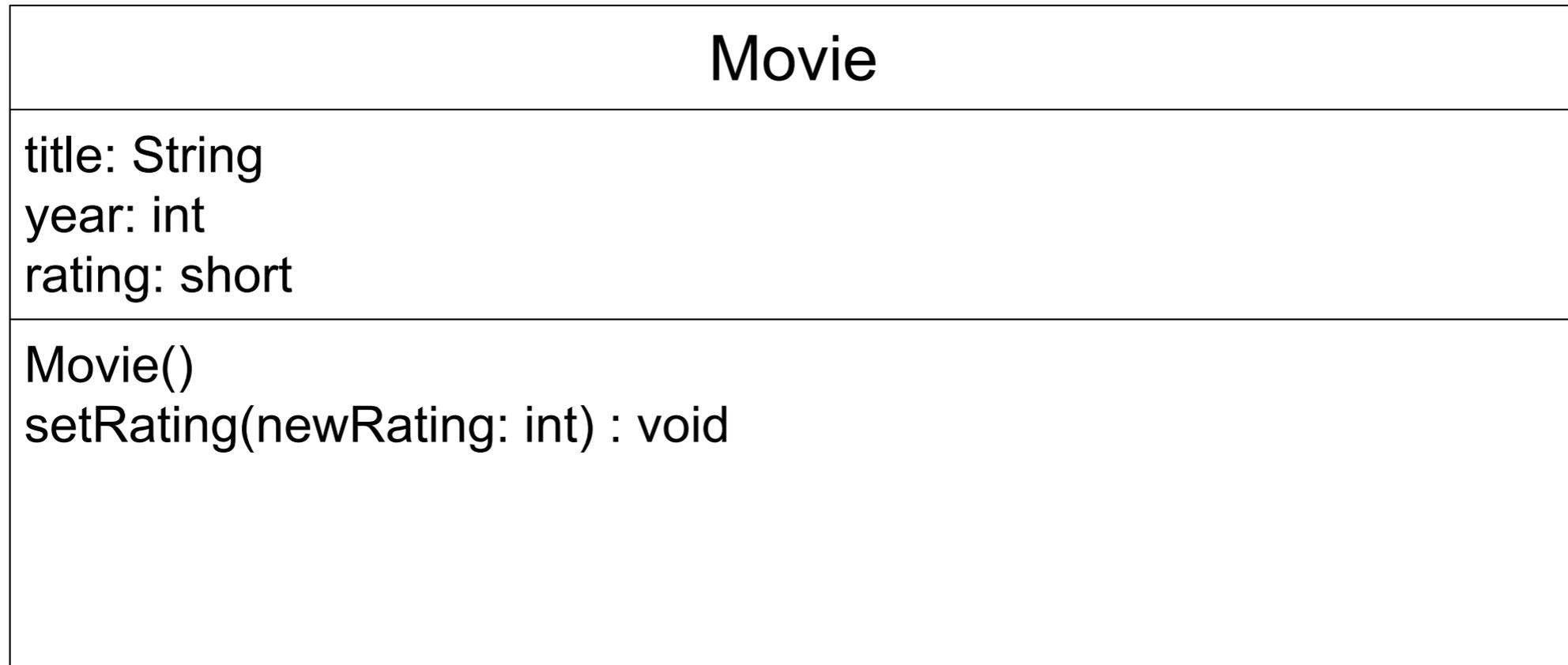
← Data fields

← Constructors and methods



← UML notation for objects

# UML Class Diagram



# Classes

```
class Circle {  
    /** The radius of this circle */  
    double radius = 1;   
  
    /** Construct a circle object */  
    Circle() {  
    }  
  
    /** Construct a circle object */  
    Circle(double newRadius) {  
        radius = newRadius;  
    }  
  
    /** Return the area of this circle */  
    double getArea() {  
        return radius * radius * Math.PI;  
    }  
  
    /** Return the perimeter of this circle */  
    double getPerimeter() {  
        return 2 * radius * Math.PI;  
    }  
  
    /** Set new radius for this circle */  
    double setRadius(double newRadius) {  
        radius = newRadius;  
    }  
}
```

← Data field

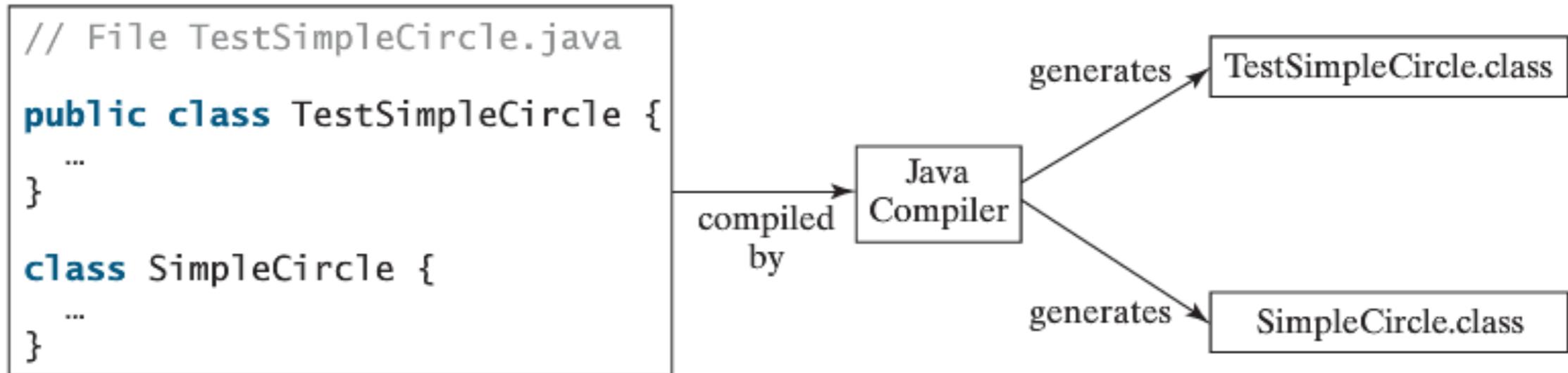
← Constructors

← Method

# Example: Defining Classes and Creating Objects

`TestSimpleCircle.java`

`SimpleCircle.java`



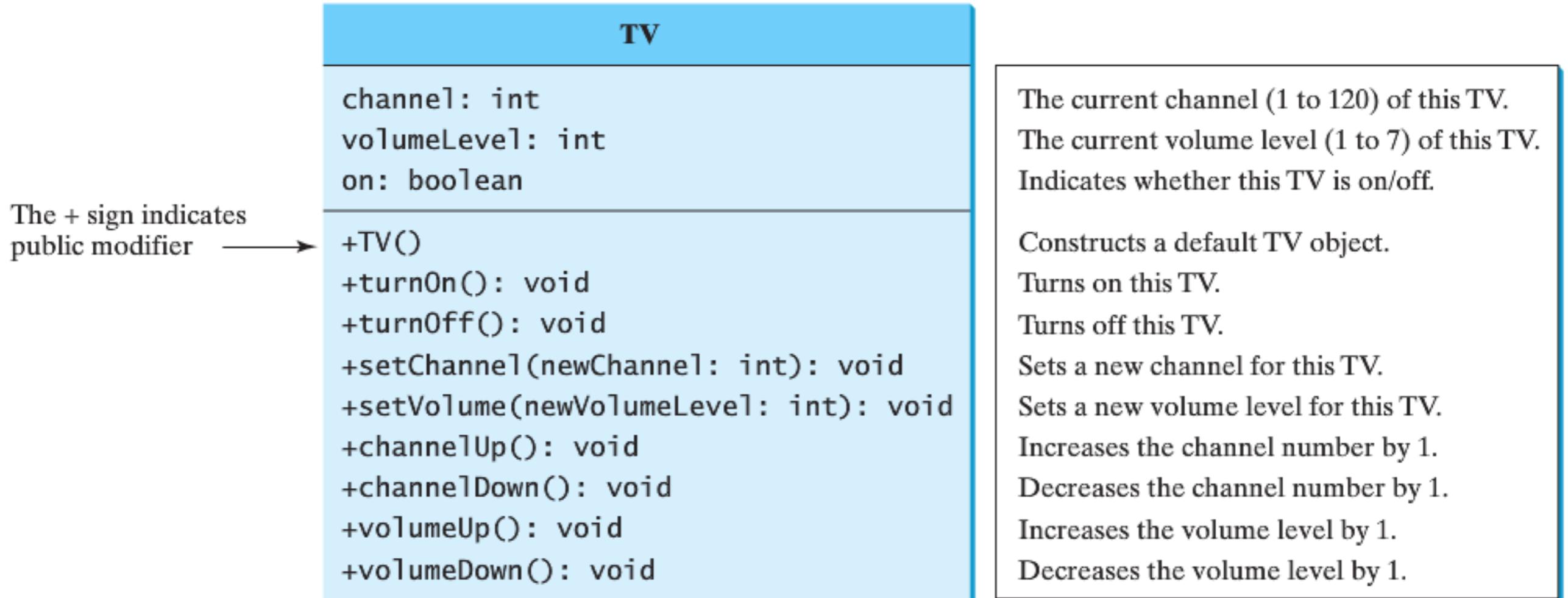
**FIGURE 9.5** Each class in the source code file is compiled into a **.class** file.

You can put 2 classes into one file, but **only one** can be a **public** class

the **public** class must have the same name as the file name

you can define a class with a main method (see **SimpleCircle.java**) for testing purposes

# Example: TV Class



TV.java

TestTV.java

# Packages

A package is a namespace that organizes a set of related classes and interfaces (covered later)

like different folders in your computer

software can contain hundreds or thousands of classes, so it makes sense to place them in a package

Source: <http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/concepts/package.html>

# Constructing Objects Using Constructors

# Constructors

Constructors are a special kind of methods that are invoked to construct objects.

```
Circle() {  
}
```

```
Circle(double newRadius) {  
    radius = newRadius;  
}
```

# Constructors, cont.

- must have the same name as the class itself
- doesn't have a return type—not even **void**
- invoked using the **new** operator when an object is created
- plays the role of initializing objects
- A constructor with no parameters is referred to as a *no-arg constructor*

# Creating Objects Using Constructors

```
new ClassName();
```

Example:

```
new Circle();
```

```
new Circle(5.0);
```

# Default Constructor

A class may be defined without constructors. In this case, a no-arg constructor with an empty body is implicitly defined in the class.

This constructor, called *a default constructor*, is provided automatically *only if no constructors are explicitly defined in the class*.

**Always, always specify a constructor**

# Read These Articles

<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/concepts/object.html>

<http://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/concepts/class.html>

# Accessing Objects via Reference Variables

# Declaring Object Reference Variables

A class is a *reference type*

To reference an object, assign the object to a reference variable.

To declare a reference variable, use the syntax:

```
ClassName objectRefVar;
```

Example:

```
Circle myCircle;
```

# Declaring/Creating Objects in a Single Step

```
ClassName objectRefVar = new ClassName();
```

Example:

```
Circle myCircle = new Circle();
```

Create an object



Assign object reference

“myCircle is a variable that contains a reference to a Circle object” (that’s the technical description)

It’s OK to say that myCircle is a Circle object

# Accessing Object's Members

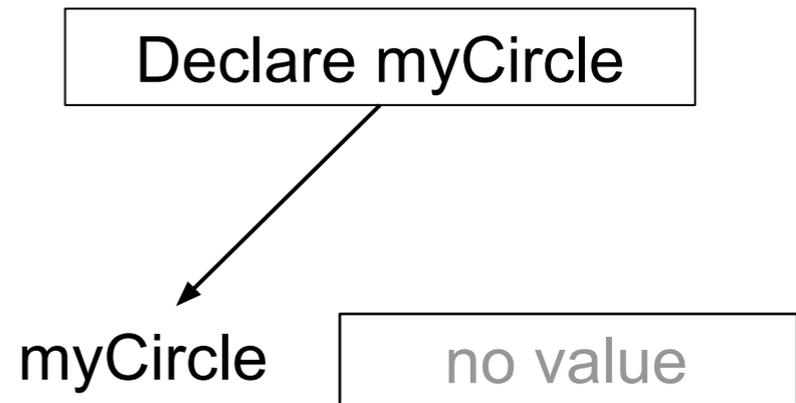
- object's members are
  - data fields
  - methods
- Referencing the object's data:  
`objectRefVar.data`  
*e.g., myCircle.radius*
- Invoking the object's method:  
`objectRefVar.methodName(arguments)`  
*e.g., myCircle.getArea()*

# Trace Code

```
Circle myCircle = new Circle(5.0);
```

```
Circle yourCircle = new Circle();
```

```
yourCircle.radius = 100;
```



# Trace Code, cont.

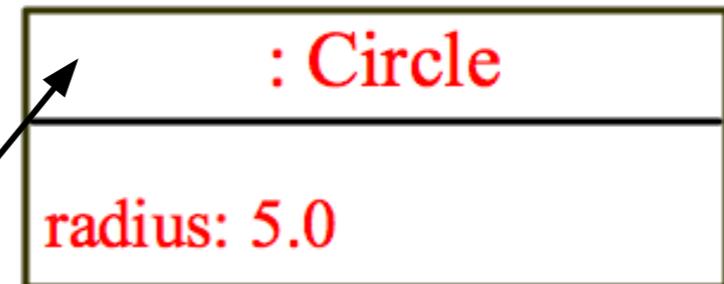
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```

myCircle

no value

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Create a circle

# Trace Code, cont.

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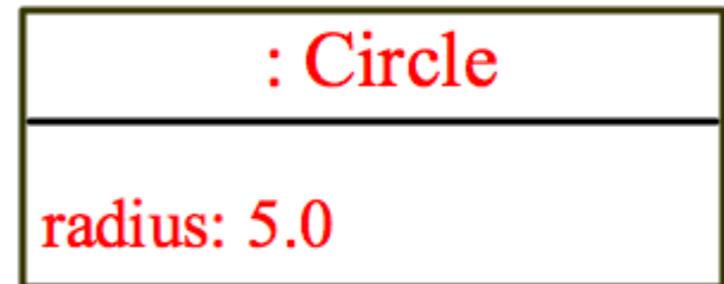
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```

myCircle

reference value

Assign object  
reference to myCircle



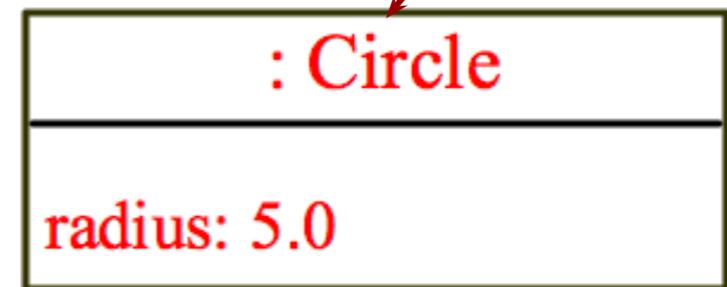
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myCircle reference value



yourCircle no value

Declare yourCircle

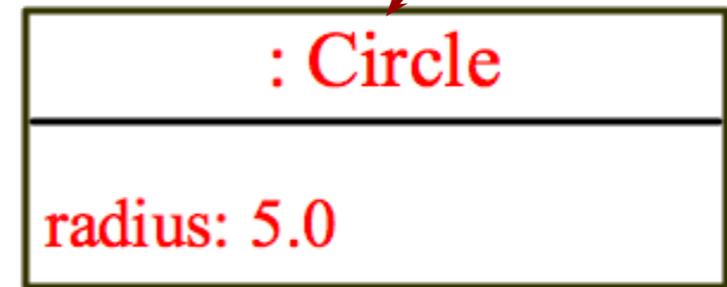
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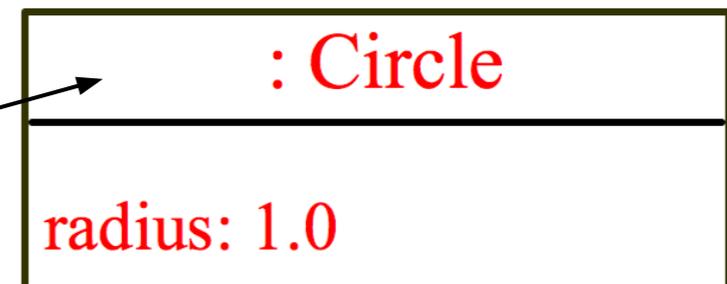
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yourCircle no value



Create a new Circle  
object

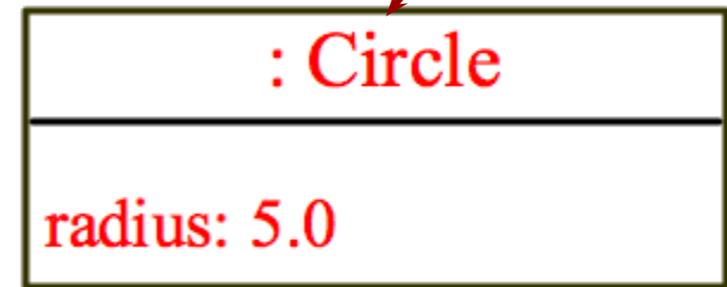
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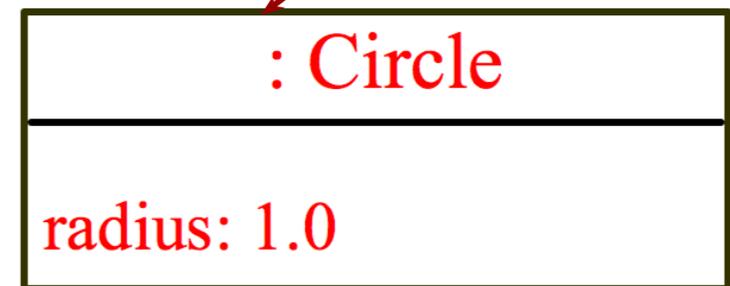
```
yourCircle.radius = 100;
```

myCircle reference value



yourCircle reference value

Assign object  
reference to yourCircle



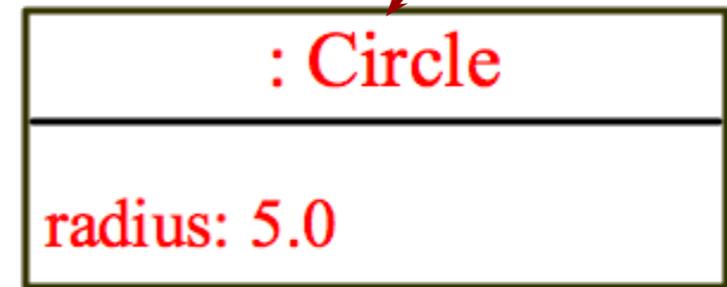
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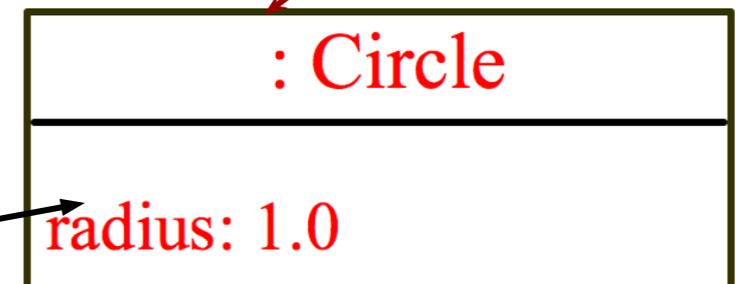
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```

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yourCircle.radius = 100;
```

myCircle reference value



yourCircle reference value



Change radius in  
yourCircle

A black arrow points from the text box to the `radius: 1.0` field in the `yourCircle` object diagram above.

# Differences between Variables of Primitive Data Types and Object Types

